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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
EXAMINING GROUP 2853

In re Application of:

Docket No. 01272.020488

HITOSHI TSUBOI ET AL.

Application No.: 09/986,804

Examiner: L. Nguyen

Filed: November 13, 2001

Group Art Unit: 2853

For: INK JET PRINTING APPARATUS AND  
PRELIMINARY EJECTING METHOD

July 27, 2004

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment After Final Rejection in the above-identified application.

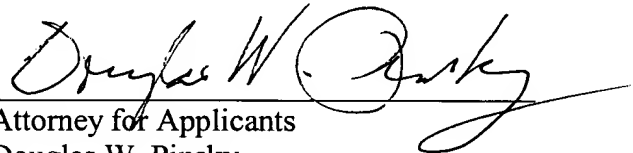
☒ No additional fee is required.

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CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	(2) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		(4) HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	(5) PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	46	MINUS	54	0	x \$9 \$18	\$0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	4	MINUS	4	0	x \$43 \$86	\$0.00
Fee for Multiple Dependent claims \$145°/\$290						\$0.00
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT---						\$0.00

- ☐ °Verified Statement claiming small entity status is enclosed, if not filed previously.
- ☐ A check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed.
- ☐ Charge \$\_\_\_\_ to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- ☒ Any prior general authorization to charge an issue fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.18 to Deposit Account No. 06-1205 is hereby revoked. The Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required during the entire pendency of this application, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1205.
- ☐ A check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ to cover the Extension fee for response with a \_\_\_\_-month extension is enclosed.
- ☐ A check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ to cover the Information Disclosure Statement fee is enclosed.
- ☒ Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the final Office Action dated April 27, 2004, please amend the  
above-identified application as follows: